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TOPIC Bautzen-Litten Airfield and Husaren Kaserne in Bautzen

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REMARKS

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1. Between 24 March and 2 April 1954, the following air activity and aircraft were observed at Bautzen-Litten airfield:

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24 March. During the afternoon, five aircraft

made individual flights. The aircraft some of which did not retract their landing gears repeatedly approached for landings but would zoom away shortly before touching-down. There were scattered clouds. At 11:20 a.m. and 2:55 p.m., 2 aircraft each, of the type observed practicing flying, approached the field from the west, circled the field and again flew to the west.

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26 March. No flying was observed. There was haze and drizzle. Between 12:15 p.m. and 12:45 p.m., 8 aircraft and next to them 4 trucks, 1 sedan and 1 command trailer were observed in front of the hangars. About 50 VPL personnel apparently were receiving instruction on the aircraft.

2 April. Between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., no air activity or other activity was observed at the field. There was haze and drizzle lately. 12 trainers have been observed at the field which have a two-bladed propeller and a single radial engine. The engine cowling of these trainers appeared larger than the rest of their fuselage. They were low-wing monoplanes with wings set wide on the fuselage, tapering off evenly at the leading and trailing edges, and rounded off wing tips. The aircraft had retractable landing gears and tail wheels. The glazed cabin was about in the center of the wings and was fitted with three crossbars. The aircraft were two-seaters, had an antenna mast behind the cabin and were marked by white numbers and white upper edges of their rudder assemblies. They were parked in front of the hangars, while no aircraft were observed inside the hangars.¹

2. Five fuel containers were observed in the southwestern corner of the field. On 24 March, the landing field was being rolled apparently by civilian workers.²
3. A radio installation with four antenna masts with a small tent and a radio truck next to them was observed just south of the temporary building housing the flight control station.³ During air activity, a command car was observed at the

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take-off point about 100 meters south of Litten. A cable ditch had previously been excavated from the flight control station to that point. Another cable apparently leading to the Husaren Kaserne had been laid from the northern edge of the Bautzen-Weissenberg road.

4. On 31 March, an emergency landing was made by a plane of the described trainer type about 5 km south of Weisswasser and about 400 meters of the railroad embankment. The area around the aircraft was blocked but [redacted] 25X1 the aircraft had made a belly landing. A few hours after the aircraft had landed it had been set up on its landing gear.

5. [redacted] VPL officers and female VPL personnel were also stationed 25X1 in the Husaren Kaserne in Bautzen.
The following motor vehicles were observed at the Husaren Kaserne:

Trucks	Sedans	Ambulance
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[redacted] Comment. The description of the aircraft confirms previous information that Yak-11s are used for training by the Aeroclub in Bautzen. [redacted]

[redacted] According to the present report apparently no Yak-18s are stationed at the Bautzen airfield. [redacted] the Yak-18s from Bautzen transferred to 25X1 Kamenz.

[redacted] Comment. Between 5 and 8 fuel containers have been reported previously. 25X1

[redacted] Comment. Possibly a D/F station.

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